Saguaro National Park Centennial Saguaro Survey – Plot 38 March 19, 2016 REI



Volunteers from REI collected data from plot 38, which was established in 1990. Volunteers came from all over Arizona including one group from Arizona State University! Each column in the graph below indicates how many saguaros were counted. The columns show a size range, from smallest to largest. The light blue columns represent the saguaros volunteers monitored. Comparing the data from past surveys, there has been a slight decline of the

saguaro population on plot 38. We saw a shift of saguaros from one height class to another, which is expected since it has been five years since we surveyed this plot. Plot 38 has turned out to have the most germinating saguaros in one plot so far! We found seven saguaros less than ten centimeters, giving us hope of a healthy future for the saguaro cactus forest. Thank you REI members for participating in the Saguaro survey. We hope you gained knowledge of the cactus forest and continue to opt outside!

Saguaro Plot #38

